



Docket No.: 1693.1016

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Karl PETERSON et al.

Serial No. 10/697,656

Group Art Unit: 1763

Confirmation No. 8487

Filed: October 31, 2003

Examiner: Ram N Kackar

For: ION GAUGE CONDITION DETECTOR AND SWITCHING CIRCUIT

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on July 19, 2006. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to August 19, 2006, which being a Saturday renders this response timely filed on August 21, 2006.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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